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24 September 54

MEMORANDIM TO: Colonel White

SUBJECT

: Visit to the United States

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1. The attached file contains papers supporting a request to the Director that he authorize actual expenses which were incurred by two Agency employees while acting as escort to during his visit to the United States in September 1953.

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- 2. The Deputy Chief, FI, the state and a Staff Interpreter from the served as escorts. At the time plans were made for the visit, it was apparently anticipated that many of the expenses of the escorts would be covered as "operational expenses". It was also anticipated that per diem would cover the major part of their personal type expenses. It developed, however, that the expenses of accommodations and meals, in keeping with the stature of the guests, required much more than the per diem allowances.
- 3. It is believed that employees should not be out-of-pocket for performing escort duties of this nature, and the Director is now being asked to authorize actual expenses rather than the per diem allowances. Certifications from the men indicate they will not and have not claimed per diem; these are included under the tab marked "Accounting".
  - 5. Your concurrence is recommended.

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